

**Texas Department of Health / Bureau of Epidemiology
Cancer Registry Division**

Program Operating Plan

Program or Division Name	Cancer Registry Division / Texas Cancer Registry (TCR)
Bureau	Bureau of Epidemiology
Associateship	Disease Control and Prevention
Program Purpose	The Cancer Registry Division collects, analyzes, and disseminates population-based cancer incidence data to reduce the cancer burden in Texas.
Major Responsibilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Maintain a statewide cancer incidence reporting system.• Monitor and maintain accurate, complete, and timely cancer incidence data through systematic quality assurance procedures.• Analyze cancer incidence and mortality data, including responding to data requests and publishing cancer statistics and reports.• Provide data for etiologic research.• Provide data for cancer prevention and control planning, evaluation and educational programs.
Population Served	State of Texas.
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Program Objectives

Fiscal Year 2004 Objectives

- Achieve certification by the North American Association of Central Cancer Registries by meeting minimum national standards for data completeness, timeliness, and quality for Year 2001 cancer cases.
- Plan and implement physician and pathology laboratory cancer incidence reporting.
- Improve electronic cancer reporting and record processing capabilities.
- Describe patterns of cancer among Texans, monitor trends, and identify populations at increased risk.
- Facilitate etiologic and health services research through published cancer reports, data linkage, and data release.

Services Provided/ Activities

Health Care Safety Net Services

N/A

Essential Public Health Services (EPHS)

*(Austin office),
(regional offices),
and (both) indicate
where the activity
takes place.*

No. 1 Monitor the health status of individuals in the community to identify community health problems.

- Collect and process cancer incidence data reported from health care facilities and providers (both).
- Identify populations at increased risk for cancer (Austin office).
- Monitor trends in cancer incidence and mortality data so that appropriate and timely interventions are undertaken (Austin office).
- Facilitate research related to cancer etiology, prevention, and control (Austin office).

No. 2 Diagnose and investigate community health problems and community health hazards.

- Investigate public concerns of suspected cancer excesses due to environmental or other factors (Austin office).

No. 3 Inform, educate and empower the community with respect to health issues.

- Publish annual cancer statistics, reports and fact sheets (Austin office).
- Respond to cancer data requests (both).
- Speak and exhibit at conferences, professional meetings, and health fairs (both).

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Administrative Activities

N/A

**Program
Evaluation**

Performance Measures

Performance
Measures:
State

01.03.03.01, Preventable Diseases, Number of surveillance activities, and field investigations conducted. NON-KEY. (shared)

01.03.03.02, Preventable Diseases, Number of birth defect, cancer, environmental, and injury reports handled by appropriate registry. NON-KEY. (shared)

Performance
Measures:
Federal

National Program of Cancer Registries, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Mandate/authority

Health and Safety Code, Chapter 82, Cancer Registry.

**Origins of
program (if no
mandate)**

N/A

Program Rules

Texas Administrative Code, Title 25, Health Services, Part I. Texas Department of Health, Chapter 91. Cancer. Subchapter A. Cancer Registry.

**Advisory
Committee or
Regulatory Board**

N/A

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